

Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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REPORT INFORMATION:

1999 Barse, W.P., D.B. Eichinger, M.A. Brown, and E.M. Scheerer
Phase I Terrestrial Archeological Survey, Maryland Route 5 - Hughesville, Charles County, Maryland.
Submitted to the Maryland State Highway Administration
Library ID No: 00007539 Catalog/Shelving ID: CH 88

Research Firm/Institution:

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Sites examined:

18CH664 18CH665
NRHP Eligible: ☒ Y NRHP Eligible: ☐ N
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Project Details:

	Project Justification:
Phase I <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X	Planned highway improvements by the Maryland SHA presented two separate highway alternatives, one calling for modifications along existing Maryland Route 5 through the town of Hughesville and one bypassing the town. Both alternatives would require significant alterations to the local landscape and necessitated Phase I survey in the area of potential effect.
Phase II	
Phase III	

Project Objectives:
-Document any archeological resources that might be present in the study area.
-Identify the chronological placement of any site present.
-Identify site formation processes and their bearing on archeological context.
-Provide an initial assessment of site function.

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18CH664.
See below for remaining research questions at 18CH665.

REPORT INFORMATION:

2000 Balicki, J., R. Pitts, and K. Simons
Phase II Investigations at the Homeland Brick Clamp (18CH664), MD5 Hughesville Bypass, Hughesville, Charles County, Maryland.
Submitted to the Maryland State Highway Administration
Library ID No: 97000232 Catalog/Shelving ID: CH 93

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Sites examined:

18CH664 18CH665
NRHP Eligible: ☒ Y NRHP Eligible: ☐ N
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Project Details:

	Project Justification:
Phase I	Planned highway improvements by the Maryland SHA presented two separate highway alternatives, one calling for modifications along existing Maryland Route 5 through the town of Hughesville and one bypassing the town. Both alternatives would require significant alterations to the local landscape and necessitated Phase I survey which was conducted in 1998. During the course of Phase I work, Site 18CH664 was encountered and Phase II testing was recommended to determine the site's significance.
Phase II <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X	
Phase III	

Project Objectives:
-Define the vertical and horizontal boundaries of the site.
-Recover archeological and documentary information that will aid in the evaluation of the site's eligibility to the NRHP.

MAC Accession: 2005.025

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18CH664.

Site 18CH665 appears to be a simple Archaic lithic scatter as well as a 19th-20th century artifact scatter. The site has been extensively disturbed by plowing. It likely has no significant research potential.

REPORT INFORMATION:

2004 J. Balicki, B. Corle, and K. Falk
Data Recovery Investigations at the Homeland Brick Clamp (Site 18CH664), MD5
Hughesville Bypass, Hughesville, Charles County, Maryland.
Submitted to the Maryland State Highway Administration

Library ID No: 97002061 Catalog/Shelving ID: CH 116

Research Firm/Institution:

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Sites examined:

18CH664
NRHP Eligible: ☒
[Justification](#)

Project Details:

Phase I	<div>Project Justification:</div> <div>Planned highway improvements by the Maryland SHA presented two separate highway alternatives, one calling for modifications along existing Maryland Route 5 through the town of Hughesville and one bypassing the town. Both alternatives would require significant alterations to the local landscape and necessitated Phase I survey which was conducted in 1998, and Phase II testing which was completed in 1999. Phase II testing investigated a brick clamp at the site and determined that it retained integrity. Thus, Phase III data recovery was recommended.</div> <div>MAC Accession: 2005.025</div>
Phase II	
Phase III	

<div>Project Objectives:</div> <div>-Determine how the brick clamp relates to a yet unknown plantation house or other structure for which bricks were fired.</div> <div>-Determine where the bricks fall in the chronology of Chesapeake architectural development. Assess whether or not the classical profile of the shaped brick is unusual in this area for its date. Determine if other buildings supplied by this brickmaker or even a particular itinerant brickmaker can be identified in the area.</div> <div>-Assess whether or not the Homeland Clamp can yield insight into the trade of brickmaking through comparison with other Colonial or early Federal period Chesapeake clamps.</div> <div>-Determine how brick clamps were constructed, what their technical attributes were, and how shape-molded bricks were fired in the clamp.</div> <div>-Determine if additional features associated with brickmaking are present at the site.</div> <div>-Assess whether or not archeomagnetic dating techniques assist in dating the clamp.</div> <div>-Determine how information pertaining to the project site and this investigation be effectively disseminated to the public and individuals interested in this field of study.</div>	
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Research Potential:

Although the historic context of the clamp is not known and the age of the Site 18CH664 is tenuous, the technological attributes recorded on the two clamps provide significant information on brick clamps, and the investigations recorded important attributes that will further any future brick clamp investigations. Both clamps were in an excellent state of preservation and provided insight into the brick-making process. However, the site today has been severely impacted by construction of MD Route 5 and, consequently, it has no additional research value.